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SUBJECT: ARTICLE 24:6 NEGOTIATIONS

1. MINECON DIRECTOR VAN WIJK TELLS US HE HAS BEEN INVITED TO
SPECIAL ART. 113 COMMITTEE MEETING IN BRUSSELS JULY 2 TO START
WORK ON COMMISSION PRESENTATION ON ART. 24:6 NEGOTIATIONS TO
JULY 23 COUNCIL MEETING.

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2. VAN WIJK BELIEVES MONDAY MEETING MAY BE OUTGROWTH OF HIS LUNCHEON LAST WEEK IN BRUSSELS WITH GUNDELACK AND BRITISH, FRG AND DANISH REPS WHERE TACTICS FOR ART. 24:6 DISCUSSIONS IN LUXBOURG WERE DISCUSSED. IT WAS CONSENSUS AT THAT TIME (IMMEDIATELY AFTER MALMGREN/ RENNER VISITATIONS) THAT SOME WAY MUST BE FOUND TO EXPLORE US POSITION. FRENCH INTRANSIGENCE IN LUXEMBOURG MAKES IT INFINITELY MORE DIFFICULT TO SOLICIT US WANT LIST, BUT VAN WIJK BELIEVES GUNDELACH WILL ATTEMPT TO BROACH MATTER OBLIQUELY IN ART. 113 COMMITTEE. IF NOT VAN WIJK WILL SUGGEST THAT IT MIGHT BE USEFUL TO INVITE THIRD COUNTRY VIEWS ON POSSIBLE EC OFFER LIST DESPITE " ALMOST CERTAIN" FRENCH OBJECTIONS.

3. VAN WIJK SAID COMMISSION CURRENTLY CONSIDERING OFFERS ON ABOUT 10 ITEMS (HE MENTIONED CANNED PINEAPPLE AND SLAUGHTER-HOUSE WASTE), BUT LEVEL OF OFFER WILL DEPEND ON IMPROVED EVALUATION OF DAMAGE.

4. SUDDENLY CALLED ART. 113 COMMITTEE MEETING WILL PREVENT ATTENDANCE OF VAN WIJK (AND PRESUMABLY HIS OPPOSITE NUMBERS) AT OPENING SESSION OF GATT PREPCOM. HE GRIPED GOOD- HUMOREDLY THAT IF US HADN' T TAKEN HIS DEPUTY (WINTERSMANS) TO US ON STATE DEPT. VIP GRANT, DUTCH COULD HAVE COVERED BOTH MEETINGS. IN MORE SERIOUS VEIN HE SAID THAT GROWING AVERSION OF DIRGEN VAN OORSCHOT TO HEAVY TRAVEL SCHEDULE WILL FORCE DUTCH TO BE MORE SELECTIVE ON MEETINGS THEY WILL ATTEND, AT LEAST AT THAT LEVEL.
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